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1. AT 061800Z FEB, AN ESTIMATED VC COMPANY CONDUCTED A 15-MIMUTE MORTAR ATTACK (REPORTEDLY 10 ROUNDS) AGAINST THE II CORPS MACV COMPOUND AT PLEIU WHILE TO THE EAST OF PLEIKU THEY INITIATED SIMULATANEOUSLY A 5-10 MINUTE MORTAR ATTACK ON CAMP HOLLOWAY AND THE PLEIKU AIRSTRIP ADJACENT TO IT; THIS LATTER MORTAR ATTACK WAS ACCOMPANIED BY A GROUND PROBE OF THE N. E. END OF THE STRIP. THE PRECISE EXTENT OF THE GROUND PROBE IS UNDETERMINED. SMALL ARMS, 57RR'S, RIFLE GRENADES, AND BEMOLITION CHARGES UNDER THREE OF THE AIRCRAFT, HAVE ALL BEEN REPORTED. THREE MEN WERE SEEN OUTSIDE THE AIRFIELD PROTECTIVE WIRE AND WERE ENGAGED BY THE PERIMETER DEFENSE (SATCHEL CHARGES WERE ALSO REPORTEDLY USED IN THE ATTACK ON THE MACV COMPOUND). A VC 4-TUBE 81MM MORTAR POSITION HAS BEEN LOCATED VIC AR 807471. SIXTY-NINE 81 MM MORTAR ROUNDY CONTAINERS WERE DISCOVERED EMPTY ON-SITE. SEVEN MINUTES AXTER THE ATTACK BEGAN, 3 ARMED HU-1B'S AND A FLARZSHIP WERE AIRBORNE. AT 070140Z. AN 80-MAN EAGLE FLIGHT REACTION FORCE ESTABLISHED CONTACT WITH AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC VICINITY AR 9060.

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2. UNCONFIRMED US CASUALTY FIGURES FROM ATTACKS OM MACV COMPOUND AND CAMP HOLLOWAY ARE AS FOLLOWS:
A. MACV COMPOUND - 1 KIA, 23 WIA
(10 EVACUATED)
B. CAMP HOLLOWAY-6 KIA, 86 WIA
(56EVACUATED)

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C. TOTAL: 7 KIA, 109 WIA (76 EVAC)
NO RVNAF OR CIVILIAN CASUALTIES HAVE BEEN
REPORTED.
3. A TOTAL OF 52 BILLETS WERE DAMAGED, 7
WITH MAJOR DAMAGE, 10 MODERATE DAMAGE,
35 MINOR DAMAGE. FIVZ HU-1B'S HAVE BEEN
COMPLETELY DESTROYED; 9-11 HU-1B'S HAVE
BEEN DAMAGED. MINOR DAMAGE WAS INFLICTED
UPON 3 O-1F'S, 1CV-2B, AND 1 VNAF O-1H.
MAJOR DAMGE TO 1CV-2B. US PERSONNEL
IN PLEIKU ARE DISPOSED AS FOLLOWS:
595 AT VAMP HOLLOWAY (488 SPT COMMAND;
107 2D AIR DIV); 183 IN MACV COMPOUND.
4. THE VC ATTACK AT TUY HOA IN PHU YEN
PROVINCE IS NOT REPEAT NOT A PART OF THE
PLEIKU ATTACK. IT RATHER APPEARS TO BE
PART OF A COUNTRY-WIDE PATTERM REPRESEMTING
A GENERAL RESUMPTION OF VC OFFEMSIVE
ACTIVITY FOLLOWIMG TET. THE DETAILS: AT
061845Z FEB, THE VC LAUNCHED A MORTAR
ATTACK AGAINST A POL STORAGE AREA AT
CHAP CHAI AFLD WEST OF TUY HOA CITY
(VIC CQ 152 475). THE FACILITY WAS SET
AFIRE REYULTIMG IN THE BURING OF 50 CANS
OX AVIATIOM GASOLINE. CASUALTIES:
3 PF WIA.
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